

GSA Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

September 5, 2013

The Honorable Leonard Lance Member, United States House of Representatives Attn: Bobbi Goodman 425 North Avenue East Westfield, NJ 07090

Dear Representative Lance:

Thank you for contacting the U.S. General Services Administration on behalf of your constituent Michael Hayden regarding seeking employment with other federal agencies.

We appreciate knowing of your interest in this matter and are working diligently to provide an accurate and timely response.

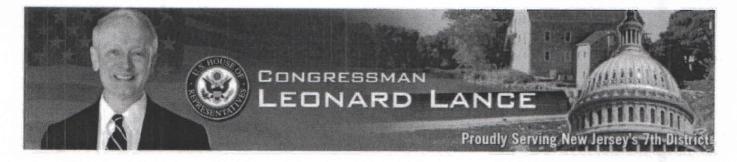
If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Austin

Associate Administrator

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Privacy Authorization Form

Please print this form and email, fax or mail to:

Congressman Leonard Lance
425 North Avenue E Westfield, New Jersey 07090
Attn: Bobbi Goodman

	Phone: 908-518-7733 Fax: 908-518-7751
(b) (6)	Email: Bobbi.Goodman@mail.house.gov
(b) (6) Name:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Home Phone (b) (6)	(b) (6) Work Phone:
(b) (6) Email:	
Social Security #	Date of Birth: (b) (6)
Agency Involved: GSA,	USCIS, DOMA
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Date and Place Claim was Filed:	12/13 CONGROSSMAN LANCE DISTRICT OFFICE WOSTFIEDD
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to make the appropriate inquiries on	of the Privacy Act, I hereby authorize Congressman Lance or a member of his staff in my behalf.
(b) (6)	
SIGNED	DATE # 1557



The Honorable Leonard Lance District Office 425 North Avenue East Westfield, NJ 07090

Dear Representative Lance:

As a twenty eight year career employee with the United States Postal Service, I am seeking your guidance for a career shift. Due to a continuing lack of upward mobility within my organization, I am looking to segue to another federal agency where I can better utilize my education and experience.

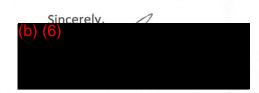
My enclosed resume outlines my credentials, including a B.A from Seton Hall University and a M.A.S. from Fairleigh Dickenson University. Last summer, I completed the Qualified Purchasing Agent (Q.P.A.) program at Rutgers University which culminated in my passing the exam in June of 2012. I am also awaiting the receipt of my Registered Public Purchasing Official (R.P.P.O) from Rutgers.

I choose the Q.P.A. program due to an appeal from the United States government looking to not only increase the civilian acquisition workforce, but also, to improve acquisition outcomes. The 2010 through 2014 Office of Management Budget strategic plan outlines this in its objective.

As I endeavor making this transition to another federal agency, I am experiencing what appears to me, the same non-responsive approach as exemplified in the USPS. My frustration is with the lack of attention to my applications. For example, I have been on the qualifying register with G.S.A. for approximately three years, since submitting my resume through USAJobs.gov. As a matter of fact, I am currently waiting on a G.S.A. opportunity in Newark, NJ. Unfortunately, during this entire timeframe, there have not been any responses. This seems unusual to me, since I have considered several lucrative offers in the private sector; however, I prefer to remain within the Federal Government.

Representative Lance, I have had a very successful career within the U.S.P.S. In spite of my intensive work experience and academic accomplishments, I have "hit the wall" in the U.S.P.S., due to, what I believe, is a poorly designed hierarchy. I am very interested in bringing my expertise, knowledge, and experience to another federal agency, and am asking for any suggestions or guidance on how to successfully transition.

Thank you for your time in reading my correspondence. I am not seeking favorable treatment from your office, however if there are any suggestions you can offer that would allow my resume to actually be reviewed by someone, I would be sincerely grateful.



Supervisor, Chief of Supplies, USPS – VMF Operations

Proven record in achieving significant procurement cost reductions for vehicle parts, operational equipment and supplies while maintaining both quality and service. Extensive experience in managing procurement of services, MRO, capital equipment, administrative functions (travel, accommodations, office supplies), procurement cards and large fleet operations. Expertise in developing and overseeing procurement and supply processes and systems, including replenishment system and acquisition cycles, input control, resolving operational issues and making appropriate changes to policy and procedure to ensure full application of Sarbanes-Oxley requirements. Expert computer proficiency in many U.S.P.S., web based applications involving financial, FSLA, travel, safety and purchasing modalities, and including Microsoft Office applications. Currently a (SME) Subject Matter Expert (Instructor) for U.S.P.S. System Enterprise Asset Management team.

Professional Profile

- Over 28 years of service with USPS, thirteen as Fleet Manager for the NNJD.
- Twelve years as Purchasing Administrator for U.S.P.S.
- Masters of Administration from Fairleigh Dickenson University.
- Registered Public Purchasing Officer and Qualified Purchasing Agent certification from Rutgers University.
- Strong knowledge of Federal policy and procedure, contract compliance, purchasing, HR and labor issues.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills as well as strong computer literacy.

Professional Experience

USPS, Supervisor Vehicle Supplies 308 Thomas Street, Newark, NJ 07114 March, 2001 – Present

Manage a large warehouse of tools, vehicle parts, and supplies for one of the largest U.S.P.S. fleets in the country. Implement issuance controls based on current (SOX) regulations. Administer a 12 million dollar budget covering fleet operations. Over 3M dollars are purchased through consignment or N.O.A.

- Provide technical guidance on warehouse organization and operation, purchase procedures, bid processes and excess inventory elimination. Converted most vehicle parts inventory to consignment issues thus reducing cost of inventory by over \$140,000.00.
- Provide training support, logistics, planning, organizing, directing and monitoring programs for all staff development in the work environment to meet organizational goals.
- Redeveloped many service contracts utilizing supply management theory resulting in overall cost reductions to the agency.
- Responsible for all internal control over financial reporting including accountability procedures and contact compliance within public contract law.
- Strong ability to manage, including planning, organizing, directing and monitoring programs, special project work and the employment of others to meet short and long term organization goals in order to maximize production while maintaining SOX compliance.

Manage Vehicle Maintenance Facility for a wide range of over 2000 vehicles.

 Develop and coordinate the VMF, 12 million dollar operations budget for the Northern New Jersey District.

 Tasked weekly with communicating orally and in writing with both outside vendors and higher USPS management. Obligations include preparing reports, making recommendations for efficiencies and improvement, and providing technical guidance for operations and programs.

City Manager, Plainfield Post OfficePlainfield, NJ 070602000-2001Manager, Netherwood Station P.O.Plainfield, NJ 070621999-2000Supervisor, Linden Post OfficeLinden, NJ 070361997-1999Supervisor/Letter Carrier, S.O.P.O.South Orange, NJ 070791985-1997

- Supervised all carrier activities including route assignments, scheduling, and overtime authorization.
- Directed the distribution and dispatch of mail and mail handling activities.
- Managed the window services of the Post Office including nightly close out.
- Analyzed delivery operations, mail flows, and all window retail services using observation, data and computer analysis and made recommendations for improvements.
- Coordinated record-keeping including cost ascertainment procedures, carrier transportation costs, mail volumes, personnel records, and accident and injury reports.
- Maintained frequent contact with the public, large volume mailers, school groups and representatives of community, business and mailing organizations in order to respond to USPS mail concerns.

Education

Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ; RPPO, QPA, Public Purchasing, 2012 Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ; MAS, Administrative Science, 2004 Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ; BA, Business, Studio Art, 1979

Professional Affiliations

National Association of Postal Supervisors NJ Municipal Managers Association OSHA VPP Gold Award

Volunteer Experience

Coordinator of USPS Annual Food Drive
CFC Chairperson
On-Air Reader for E.Y.E.S. of NJ
Cub Scout/Boy Scouts of America
Branchburg Recreation Coach – Softball, Basketball, Football and Lacrosse
FCC Broadcasters License, Elements 1,2 and 9

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USCIS HR OPERATIONS CENTER 70 KIMBALL AVENUE SOUTH BURLINGTON VT 05403

(b) (6)

Receipt for:

0301/SUPERVISORY OPERATIONS SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Vacancy Identification Number:

Job Series/Title:

MB 708815

Job Announcement Number:

C1S-708815-NEW

USAJOBS Control Number:

321954800

Open - Close Dates:

7/24/2012 - 8/7/2012

This is to acknowledge the receipt of the Occupational Questionnaire you submitted for the job vacancy announcement shown above. We will assess your qualifications based upon the responses you provided in the questionnaire, as well as all other materials requested in the vacancy announcement. When this evaluation is completed, you will be notified of the results with another e-mail message.

It is important to note that in many cases submitting the Occupational Questionnaire does NOT complete your application. Most jobs also require the submission of a written application or resume, as well as supporting materials such as transcripts and Veterans Preference documentation.

TO ENSURE THAT YOU RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR THIS POSITION, READ AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS IN THE VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT.

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USCIS HR OPERATIONS CENTER 70 KIMBALL AVENUE SOUTH BURLINGTON VT 05403

Vacancy ID:

MB 708815

Position Title:

SUPERVISORY OPERATIONS SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Hiring Office: US Citizenship and Immigration Services

Dear



Your interest in employment with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services appreciated. This announcement is now considered complete. This is the final notification being sent related to your application for this position. We wish you all the best with regard to future employment and encourage you to apply for any future positions announced on the www.usajobs.gov website for which you

The following forms are required to complete your application:

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For additional information, please refer to the vacancy announcement for this position.

NOTICE OF RESULTS

USCIS HR OPERATIONS CENTER 70 KIMBALL AVENUE SOUTH BURLINGTON VT 05403

Date Issued:

August 17, 2012

Social Security Number:

Eligibility Expires: 02/07/2013

Phone:

This is a record of your application for Federal Employment in the occupation shown below. This is not a job offer. This notice provides information contained in your record as it appears in the files of the Servicing Office shown above. Your qualification and any veteran preference claims are subject to verification. You will receive an email notification in the future ONLY IF you are referred to the selecting official, otherwise this will serve as the final notification regarding the final status of your application.

If you have questions regarding this message, you must use the contact information shown on the vacancy announcement.

Note: Your eligibility may be based solely on your responses to minimum qualification questions and may not have been reviewed by an HR Specialist to determine accuracy at this time.

Series - PositionTitle:

0301 - SUPERVISORY OPERATIONS SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Vacancy ID:

708815

Announcement Number:

CIS-708815-NEW

Date of Availability:

Full-time Employment:

Yes

Part-time Employment:

Temporary Employment:

Travel Availability:

1 to 5 nights/month

Geographic Availability:

Newark, NJ

Veteran Preference:

0 Points - NV (not adjudicated)

You must meet all medical, suitability, and qualification requirements to be considered for a position.

Spec Code:

Spec Title:

Grade:

Rating:

002

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Rating Code:

Rating Message:

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You are eligible for this specialty and grade.

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For additional information, please refer to the vacancy announcement for this position.

Dear



This refers to the application you recently submitted to this office for the position below:

Position Title:

Contract Administrator

Vacancy ID:

659542

Series/Grade:

1102/11

This open continuous vacancy has expired and no further referral lists will be issued from this inventory.

Thank you for your intrest in employment with the Defense Contract Management Agency. You are encouraged to visit www.usajobs.gov to view additional employment opportunities and information.

Thank you for your interest in Federal employment.

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For additional information, please refer to the vacancy announcement for this position.

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Receipt for:

(b) (6)

Job Series/Title:

1102/Contract Administrator

Vacancy Identification Number:

MF 659542

Job Announcement Number:

SWH812P6EHA659542

USAJOBS Control Number:

316119900

Open - Close Dates:

5/9/2012 - 11/9/2012

This is to acknowledge the receipt of the Occupational Questionnaire you submitted for the job vacancy announcement shown above. We will assess your qualifications based upon the responses you provided in the questionnaire, as well as all other materials requested in the vacancy announcement. When this evaluation is completed, you will be notified of the results with another e-mail message.

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February 4, 2016

The Honorable Leonard Lance Member, United States House of Representatives Attn: Mr. Glenn Mortimer 425 North Avenue East Westfield, NJ 07090

Dear Representative Lance:

Thank you for the email from your office dated January 6, 2016, on behalf of Somerset County, New Jersey, regarding the U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA) plans for Block 142 Lot 23 in Hillsborough Township, New Jersey.

The GSA-owned site within part of Block 142 Lot 23 is located at 152 U.S. Route 206, Hillsborough, Somerset County, New Jersey 08844, and is named the Somerville Depot. The facility was formerly used by the U.S. Department of Defense - Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) as a Defense National Stockpile Center to store strategic and critical materials for national defense.

An important factor in determining the strategy for this property is the outcome of DLA's investigation into environmental remediation requirements and DLA's subsequent decision on how to best address any findings.

To that end, DLA will continue with its remedial investigation of the property, with a goal to complete the effort by May 2016. Presently, DLA's findings have determined the contamination levels to be moderately low. Once DLA's remedial investigation and a feasibility study are complete, DLA will submit a Remedial Action Workplan to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. Additional information will be available at that time.

GSA has corresponded regularly with local stakeholders, including Somerset County Administrator and Clerk Michael Amorosa. GSA will keep all appropriate project contacts informed as progress is made.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact me at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Austin

Associate Administrator



Kim Butler - H1AA <kim.butler@gsa.gov>

Fwd: Congressional Inquiry: Lance

1 message

Erin Mewhirter - S <erin.mewhirter@gsa.gov>

Thu, Jan 7, 2016 at 11:19 AM

Reply-To: executive-secretariat@gsa.gov

To: Executive Secretariat <executive-secretariat@gsa.gov>

Cc: Larnell Exum - S < larnell.exum@gsa.gov>, Antoinette Reaves - S < toni.reaves@gsa.gov>

H1A - please see email inquiry below from the Office of Rep. Lance. OCIA and R3 have discussed and would like this controlled in CDT for a formal response. Please control to R3/P for Lisa Austin's signature.

Thanks. Erin

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From: Mortimer, Glenn < Glenn. Mortimer@mail.house.gov>

Date: Wed, Jan 6, 2016 at 1:14 PM Subject: Congressional Inquiry: Lance

To: "gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov" <gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov>

Cc: "Woloshen, Amanda" < Amanda. Woloshen@mail.house.gov>

Brenda,

Thank you very much for taking my call.

A representative from Somerset County NJ came to our office asking if we could be of assistance in procuring some information. They would like to know what (if any) plans the GSA has for Block 142 Lot 23 in Hillsborough Township, NJ. The land contains storage facilities that were once used for housing mercury. The mercury has been moved to Nevada.

This would include but would not be limited to sale, GSA use, other federal government uses, and donation to an organization or local governing entity.

Thank you very much for all of your assistance.

Glenn Mortimer

Constituent Services Representative

Congressman Leonard Lance

District 7 New Jersey

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Erin Mewhirter
Director of Congressional Operations
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs
U.S. General Services Administration

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July 25, 2016

The Honorable Leonard Lance Attn: Mr. Ryan McDevitt House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Lance:

Thank you for the e-mails from your office dated June 8 and 13, 2016, regarding a fire in a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facility, asking why sovereign immunity protects commercial entities leasing space from the Federal Government from complying with local regulations, and if the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) has looked into the costs of making the Federal Government comply with local regulations. GSA cannot comment specifically on the VA facility, since it is not a part of our inventory, but GSA can answer the more general questions on sovereign immunity.

GSA's Public Buildings Service (PBS) has not studied the costs associated with making every Federal agency comply with State and/or local regulations. To conduct such a study would be an immense undertaking: the study would need to review the codes of thousands of State and local jurisdictions throughout the United States and its territories and determine the specific amendments that each State and local jurisdiction has made to the national model building and other applicable codes. Moreover, such a study would only apply to the 1,500 buildings under GSA's control and custody.

The Public Buildings Amendments of 1988, 40 U.S.C. 3312, require that each building constructed or altered by GSA or any other Federal agency must, to the maximum extent feasible, comply with one of the nationally recognized model building codes and with other applicable nationally recognized codes. The technical requirements of these codes and standards are supplemented by mandates of Federal laws and Executive Orders, as well as GSA and other Federal agency criteria. The latest edition of these codes and standards, in effect at the time of design contract award, are used throughout the design and construction for each project. Following national model building codes provides consistency and clear compliance standards across GSA's entire inventory of buildings for Federal and any other tenants.

GSA's policy is to provide the appropriate State and/or local government officials the opportunity to review GSA projects. These reviews include, but are not limited to, the review of drawings and specifications, making recommendations for compliance with local regulations, and alignment with first-responder requirements. While GSA has the final authority to accept or reject recommendations from State or local officials, GSA carefully considers each recommendation based on adequacy, cost, and nationally accepted practice.

GSA examines the feasibility and cost of upgrading code compliance during renovation and alteration projects in existing buildings. However, as such projects typically address portions of buildings, integration with existing systems or upgrading the entire building is often beyond the financial means available. While GSA appreciates the special purpose funding provided by Congress in recent years for fire and life safety upgrades, needs continue to significantly outweigh available funding. Accordingly, GSA applies both special purpose, and the limited additional funding available from the Federal Building Fund after meeting operational requirements, on the basis of portfoliowide risk assessment.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact me at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Austin

Associate Administrator

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Valerie Waldmeier - 6P1RE <valerie.waldmeier@gsa.gov>

Fwd: Fire Issue

1 message

Larnell Exum - S < larnell.exum@gsa.gov>

Tue, Jun 14, 2016 at 3:30 PM

Reply-To: executive-secretariat@gsa.gov

To: Executive Secretariat <executive-secretariat@gsa.gov>, Erin Mewhirter - S <erin.mewhirter@gsa.gov>, Antoinette Reaves - S <toni.reaves@gsa.gov>, Kim Butler - H1E <kim.butler@gsa.gov>

Exec Sec,

Please create a control for the below email. Control to PBS for Lisa Austin's signature.

I've cut and pasted the text from both emails below.

Hillsborough, NJ in Rep. Lance's district recently had a large fire at complex owned by the VA. The VA leases it out for commercial use, but since it is owned by the VA it does not have to comply with local fire codes. The fire was much bigger because its sprinkler system is very outdated.

Local officials and state legislators are asking us why sovereign immunity protects commercial entities from complying with local regulations. I wanted to check to see if GSA has ever looked into costs etc. of making fed. Government comply with local regulations.

A state legislator as well as a few local officials are arguing that whenever federally owned property is leased to commercial enterprises that they should be forced to then comply with local regulations, fire codes etc.

We were wondering if GSA has ever looked into this issue or the costs of making situations like this compliant with the local regulations.

See this article: http://www.mycentraljersey.com/story/news/local/somerset-county/2016/05/02/hillsborough-warehouse-fire-prompts-call-close-loophole/83825122/

Regards,

Larnell B. Exum
Executive Response Specialist
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs
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From: Tammy Mayberry - S <tamara.mayberry@gsa.gov>

Date: Mon, Jun 13, 2016 at 3:21 PM

Subject: Fwd: Fire Issue

To: Larnell Exum - S < larnell.exum@gsa.gov>

Here's some additional information.

Tamara Mayberry
Policy Analyst
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs
General Services Administration
1800 F Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20405
202-357-9506 - office
tamara.mayberry@gsa.gov

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From: McDevitt, Ryan <Ryan.McDevitt@mail.house.gov>

Date: Mon, Jun 13, 2016 at 3:14 PM

Subject: RE: Fire Issue

To: Tammy Mayberry - S <tamara.mayberry@gsa.gov>

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From: Tammy Mayberry - S [mailto:tamara.mayberry@gsa.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 13, 2016 3:09 PM

To: McDevitt, Ryan **Subject:** Re: Fire Issue

Hi Ryan. We're reviewing this issue, but was wondering if you had any more background information you could share?

-Tammy

Tamara Mayberry

Policy Analyst

Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

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1800 F Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20405

202-357-9506 - office

tamara.mayberry@gsa.gov

On Fri, Jun 10, 2016 at 11:34 AM, Tammy Mayberry - S <tamara.mayberry@gsa.gov> wrote:

Hi, Ryan. I am in receipt of your email, and am currently researching the issue. I hope to have an answer for you soon. Thanks.

-Tammy Mayberry

Tamara Mayberry

Policy Analyst

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From: McDevitt, Ryan <Ryan.McDevitt@mail.house.gov>

Date: Wed, Jun 8, 2016 at 1:26 PM

Subject: Fire Issue

To: "gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov" <gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov>

Hello.

Hillsborough, NJ in Rep. Lance's district recently had a large fire at complex owned by the VA. The VA leases it out for commercial use, but since it is owned by the VA it does not have to comply with local fire codes. The fire was much bigger because its sprinkler system is very outdated.

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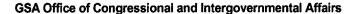
Ryan

Ryan McDevitt

Legislative Aide

Office of Congressman Leonard Lance (NJ-07)

(202) 225-5361





December 11, 2014

The Honorable Leonard Lance Member, United States House of Representatives Attn: Mr. Glenn Mortimer 425 North Avenue, East Westfield, NJ 07090

Dear Representative Lance:

This is in response to your inquiry dated November 17, 2014, on behalf of your constituent. (b) (6) concerning a U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) vehicle accident and his debt to the Federal Government.

On April 4, 2014, (b) (6) was involved in a vehicle accident with another party who was driving a U.S. Government vehicle with tag number G11-0935L. As per GSA's normal procedures, the GSA Accident Management Center reviewed and processed this vehicle accident case. After reviewing the documentation related to (b) (6) case including the New Jersey Police Crash Investigation Report and photo evidence of the damaged vehicles, GSA determined that (b) (6) was financially responsible for reimbursing GSA for damages. As a result of this finding, the accident-related claim was referred to GSA's Office of the Chief Financial Officer, for collection.

and his insurance company are claiming that the driver of the Government vehicle merged into his lane and, therefore, caused the accident. However, based on GSA's research, the privately owned vehicle driven by (b) (6) had the responsibility to yield and properly merge. This is supported by photo evidence of the traffic control sign. The damage and the police report suggest that the Government-owned vehicle was in front of (b) (6) had As such, (b) (6) failure to yield in a traffic exchange that requires the vehicles to merge was the cause of the accident.

On May 20, 2014, GSA issued a demand letter including a Debtors Rights Statement indicating that (b) (6) were owed \$4,291.98. GSA issued a final notice on July 24, 2014, for payment of \$4,309.44 which included penalty, interest, and administrative fees.

In accordance with the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, before debts become 180 days old, they are to be transferred to the U.S. Department of the Treasury (the Treasury) for collection through their Cross Servicing Program. Therefore, on September 25, 2014, GSA transferred (b) (6) debt to the Treasury.

The debt amount transferred included the original balance of \$4,291.98, \$14.63 interest (rate 1 percent), \$67.94 penalty (rate 6 percent), and \$30.00 administrative fee-for a total of \$4,404.55. The collection agency working for the Treasury added its fees and the additional penalty and interest, bringing the total amount due as of November 4, 2014, to \$5,678.91.

may dispute financial responsibility for this incident by filing a formal dispute request with the Treasury's Debt Management Service Center. He can contact the Center at (888) 826-3127 or at Dispute.Responses@fms.treas.gov.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact me at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Austin

Associate Administrator



Theresa Ottery - H1AA <theresa.ottery@gsa.gov>

Fwd: Congressional Inquiry: Spencer

1 message

Erin Mewhirter - S <erin.mewhirter@gsa.gov>

Mon, Nov 17, 2014 at 11:46 AM

Reply-To: executive-secretariat@gsa.gov

To: Executive Secretariat <executive-secretariat@gsa.gov>

Cc: Larnell Exum - S < larnell.exum@gsa.gov>, Antoinette Reaves - S < toni.reaves@gsa.gov>

H1A - please control the attached incoming from Rep. Lance to B (it concerns money owed GSA) for Lisa Austin's signature.

Thanks. Erin

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From: Mortimer, Glenn < Glenn.Mortimer@mail.house.gov>

Date: Mon, Nov 17, 2014 at 10:32 AM Subject: Congressional Inquiry: Spencer

To: "gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov" <gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov>

Ms. Austin,

Please see that attached request to investigate the case of (b) (6)
documentation is included in the attachment. If you have any questions please contact me.

Regards,

Constituent Services Representative

Glenn Mortimer

Congressman Leonard Lance

District 7 New Jersey

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Erin Mewhirter
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November 17, 2014

Ms. Lisa Austin Associate Administrator Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs 1800 F Street, NW Room 6120 Washington, DC 20405

RE: V0214165

Dear Ms. Austin:

Please review the attached documentation from (6) regarding a situation involving him and the GSA. Enclosed are the:

- 1. Privacy authorization form
- 2. A narrative from (b) (6) regarding the incident and subsequent collection practices
- 3. A note from the GSA regarding the claim
- 4. A note from collection agency CBE trying to obtain the funds
- 5. A letter from (b) insurance company (Liberty Mutual) statin (b) (6) is not at
- 6. A copy of the police report of the incident.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Best regards,

Congressman Leonard Lance

District 7 New Jersey



Privacy Authorization Form

Please print this form and email, fax or mail to:

Congressman Leonard Lance
425 North Avenue E Westfield, New Jersey 07090
Attn: Bobbi Goodman

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Honorable Leonard Lance 425 North Avenue East Westfield, New Jersey 07090

November 12, 2014

Re: US General Services Administration
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Dear Congressman Lance;

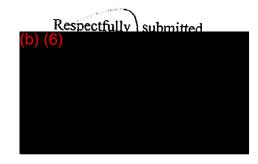
Let me first introduce myself to you; I (b) (6) live at the above address in Summit, N.J. And I maintain an office for the practice of law in Westfield, N.J.

The purpose of my writing to you is to expose the unconscionable conduct of the GSA in its unilaterally declaring that I owe them \$4,309.44. The declaration by them (GSA) stems from an incident that took place in or around the beginning of April 2014 wherein a U S government vehicle collided with my vehicle on Summit Road in Mountainside, NJ. The Mountainside NJ police were called to the scene (fortunately there were no personal injuries) and the police officer observe red the damage, interviewed myself and the driver of the government vehicle and subsequently issued a written report of the incident. The police report did not indicate that either party was at fault, certainly not me. I reported the incident to my automobile insurance carrier and provided them with a copy of the police report. They, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, ..denied any claim by the GSA of my being liable for the damage to their vehicle. As there was no damage to my vehicle no claim was filed.

Subsequently, I started to receive written notices from the GSA to my home address stating that I owed them \$4,309.44 And that if it was not paid forthwith, I would be subject to interest, penalties and additional fees. I responded to there letters wherein I advised them that I was not liable to them. Nonetheless, they have continued to write to me demanding payment. Now I receive daily telephone calls at home from an organization CBE group (a debt collecting company to whom the (GSA) has forwarded the alleged claim to for collection. The alleged debt is now stated to be \$5,678.91.

I simply cannot believe that any entity, much less the Federal Government, can act with such impunity towards an individual when they knowingly have no case against them. In the instant matter they are free to bring suite against me in the Courts of the State of New Jersey for their alleged claim. This they have not done and appear not to intend to do other than to continue to harass me. They must be made to stop this conduct and a complete and through investigation performed. As I doubt that I am the only person being subjected

to this conduct by the GSA or other agencies of the Federal Government



RFS/abc
cc Sen. Cory Booker
Sen Robert Mennedez . . .



7/24/2014





Final Notice

Our records indicate claim number V0214165 in the amount of \$4,309.44 remains unpaid. This includes interest and late charges accrued to date. We have not received your payment, or valid reason for nonpayment in response to the collection notices previously sent to you.

Please send payment of \$4,309.44 to the address below, or advise us of the reason for nonpayment.

General Services Administration

Miscellaneous Receipts for Non-Federal Claims

(b) (6)

PO Box 979009

St. Louis, MO 63197-9009

Please make your check or money order payable to General Services Administration and write claim number on it. If you prefer, you may pay this claim by American Express card, Discover Card, MasterCard, or VISA card by calling one of the telephone numbers below. Cash will not be accepted.

If we do not receive payment or a valid reason for nonpayment by 8/23/2014, we will send this claim to the U.S. Treasury Financial Management Service Center for collection action and administrative offset. Offsets may be made through the Treasury Offset Program from any funds payable to you by the Federal Government. Your debt will be reported to credit bureaus and referred to a debt collection agency or the Department of Justice and the Internal Revenue Service for further action.

If you have liability insurance, it is your responsibility to report this accident to your insurance company and to ensure that it is resolved.

If you have any accident related questions please contact the Heartland AMC Claims Resolution Section at 1-866-400-0411 option 2, then option 4, or email kc.amc@gsa.gov.

If you have any payment option questions, please contact Gina Weaver at 816-926-7908 or 1-800-676-3690 extension 67908, or via the Internet at email address: gina.weaver@gsa.gov.

Sincerely,

Jo Laski OCFO, Claims & Cash Collections Unit (BCEA)

It is your responsibility to report this accident to your automobile insurance company. Please call your insurance company and ask them when they are going to pay this claim.

DEBTOR RIGHTS STATEMENT- YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

A. Inspect and copy records pertaining to this debt.

B. An opportunity to dispute any information in our records if requested within 30 days of our

C. Appeal any dispute not resolved in the GSA response to the above action if made within 10 days of the GSA response.

D. Request a repayment agreement with GSA if a lump sum payment would create a financial

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING PAYMENT OF DEBTS

INTEREST will be charged on the principal amount due if payment is not received within 30 days from the date of debt is first mailed or hand delivered to the debtor, or in the case of advance billing, from the date the debt is actually owed. The interest rate charged shall be the current value of funds to the United States Treasury and shall remain in effect for the duration of this debt unless a formal payment agreement is entered into between you and GSA at a later

A PENALTY will be charged on the principal amount past due from the day following the due date, if this claim is not paid within 90 days from the due date. The penalty is charged monthly at the rate of 6 percent per annum.

ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS will be charged for the costs associated with carrying and collecting delinquent accounts. These costs include but are not restricted to:

A. \$10.00 will be charged for each month the claim is past due.

B. Cost of obtaining a credit report if one is ordered.

C. Debt collection agency fees.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFSET pursuant to the Governments right, you are advised it is the intention of the Government to collect this debt by Administrative Offset of money due from the Government to you if this debt has not been paid within 30 days after the date of the initial

OTHER GSA ACTIONS: GSA is required to send delinquent nonfederal account to the US Treasury for collection cross servicing and the Treasury Offset Program. GSA will report to the Internal Revenue Service debts written off as income to the debtor for the year the write off was DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICE P. O. BOX 830794 BIRMINGHAM, AL 35283-0794

September 30, 2014









(b) (6)

Your unpaid delinquent debt owed to the General Services Administration, General Services Administration, General Services Administration, has been referred to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection. According to the records of the General Services Administration, you owe \$4,409.49.

Collection action will continue unless you make payment, within ten (10) days from the date of this letter, in the amount of \$5,644.15, which includes all applicable fees, interest, and penalties, as of today.

If you wish to avoid further collection action and additional charges, you must immediately pay your debt. Your check or money order should be made payable to the U.S. Treasury-FMS. To ensure proper credit to your account, please include the FedDebt Case Identification Number 2014264505A in the memo section of your payment. Please note that we accept credit card payments via MasterCard, Visa, Discover, or American Express. Please send your payment with the attached PAYMENT COUPON to: U.S. Department of the Treasury - FMS

Debt Management Services Post Office Box 979101 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

You may also make an electronic payment via pay.gov:

(https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=16531440).

Correspondence should be mailed to: U.S. Department of the Treasury

Debt Management Services Post Office Box 830794

Birmingham, AL 35283-0794

If you are unable to pay your debt in full, please contact a Customer Service Representative toll free at (888) 826-3127, or the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (866) 896-2947.

U. S. Department of the Treasury Debt Management Services

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PAYMENT COUPON

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(D) (6) Amount Due: Amount Enclosed:	\$5,644.15
METHOD OF PAYMENT Make check/money order payable to: U.S	. Department of Treasury - FMS
Personal/Company Check	Money Order Bank Check biscover American Express



Corporate Address: 1309 Technology Pkwy, Cedar Falls, IA 50613

Hours of Operation: 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. CT Monday-Friday

CALL:

(866)895-4766

ORIGINAL CREDITOR: General Services Adminstration

(b) (6)				
Principal Balance:	\$4,291.98	3		
Interest:	\$19.22			
Penalty:	\$95.45	a a		
Fees:	\$1,272.26	*		
Current Debt Balance:	\$5,678.91			

11/04/14

This letter is regarding your account with the above-referenced original creditor, which was referred to The CBE Group, Inc. by the U.S. Department of the Treasury to collect the balance due in full.

Please pay the total amount due of \$5,678.91. To pay your account and ensure proper credit, please note your debt identification number, name and address on your check and mail it with the bottom portion of this letter in the enclosed envelope.

As of the date of this letter, you owe \$5,678.91. Because of interest and other charges assessed by your creditor that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Thus, if you pay the total amount due shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after the U.S. Department of the Treasury receives your check, in which event we will inform you.

If you can't pay this account in full contact our office at the number listed below to discuss payment options. If you have any questions, please call our office at (866)895-4766.

Unless you notify this office within thirty (30) days after receiving this notice that you dispute the validity of this debt or any portion thereof, this office will assume this debt is valid. If you notify this office in writing within thirty (30) days after receiving this notice. that you dispute the validity of this debt or any portion thereof, this office will obtain verification of the debt or obtain a copy of a judgment and mail you a copy of such judgment or verification. If you request this office in writing within thirty (30) days after receiving this notice, this office will provide you with the name and address of the original creditor if different from the current creditor. This is an attempt to collect a debt; any information obtained will be used for that purpose. This communication is from a debt collector.

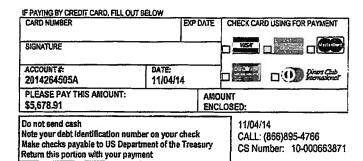
NOTICE: SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Please call our office with any change in your name, address or phone number.

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN WITH ENCLOSED ENVELOPE

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PO BOX 2040 WATERLOO, IA 50704-2040 CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



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FMS DMS CBE GROUP INC. (CGI) PO BOX 979110 ST. LOUIS, MO 63197-9000

TO ALL GONSUMERS - Notice about Electronic Check Conversion: When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction. When we use information from your check to make an electronic fund transfer, funds may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day we receive your payment and you will not receive your check back from your financial institution. Also, you authorize us to represent a check as an electronic fund transfer from your account if your payment is returned unpaid.

Please be aware of the following rights. This list does not contain a complete list of the rights consumers have under state and federal law.

California Residents: The state Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and the federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act require that, except under unusual circumstances, collectors may not contact you before 8 a.m. or after 9 p.m. They may not harass you by using threats of violence or arrest or by using obscene language. Collectors may not use false or misleading statements or call you at work if they know or have reason to know that you may not receive personal calls at work. For the most part, collectors may not tell another person, other than your attorney or spouse, about your debt. Collectors may contact another person to confirm your location or enforce a judgment. For more information about debt collection activities, you may contact the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP or http://www.ftc.gov/.

Non-profit credit counseling services may be available in the area. State and federal law require debt collectors to treat you fairly and prohibit debt collectors from making false statements or threats of violence, using obscene or profane language, and making improper communications with third parties, including your employer.

As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit agency report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. We will not submit a negative credit report to a credit reporting agency about this credit obligation until the expiration of the time period described in the notice on the front of this letter.

Colorado Residents: The Colorado office of The CBE Group is located at 1776 S. Jackson Street, Suite 900, Denver, CO 80210, telephone (720)287-8648. FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE COLORADO FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, SEE WWW.COLORADOATTORNEYGENERAL.GOV/CA. A consumer has the right to request in writing that a debt collector or collection agency cease further communication with the consumer. A written request to cease communication will not prohibit the debt collector or collection agency from taking any other action authorized by law to collect the debt.

Massachusetts Residents: NOTICE OF IMPORTANT RIGHTS. You have the right to make a written or oral request that telephone calls regarding your debt not be made to you at your place of employment. Any such oral request will be valid for only ten days unless you provide written confirmation of the request postmarked or delivered within seven days of such request. You may terminate this request by writing to the debt collector.

Minnesota Residents: This collection agency is licensed by the Minnesota Department of Commerce.

Nevada Residents: NOTE: If you pay or agree to pay all or any part of the debt referenced in this letter, your payment or agreement to pay may be construed as your acknowledgment of the debt and that you agree to waive any applicable statute of limitations. Seek legal advice if you have questions concerning your legal right or obligations relating to this debt.

New York City Borough Residents: Department of Consumer Affairs, City of New York, License # 1080974. Please contact Denise Bauler at the number listed on the front of this letter regarding this matter.

North Carolina Residents: North Carolina Department of Insurance Permit # 3568, North Carolina Department of Insurance Permit # 103066, North Carolina Department of Insurance Permit # 109072, North Carolina Department of Insurance Permit # 111791, North Carolina Department of Insurance Permit # 112272.

Tennessee Residents: This collection agency is licensed by the Collection Service Board, State Department of Commerce and Insurance.

Utah Residents: As required by Utah law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting agency if you fall to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations.

Wisconsin Residents: This collection agency is licensed by the Division of Banking in the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions, www.wdfi.org.





By Phone

Fax: (603) 334-0372

By E-mail

Liberty Mutual Mid-Atlantic Insurance Company 5050 W Tilghman Street Suite 200 Allentown, PA 18104-9154

Visit us online LibertyMutual.com

July 15, 2014

General Services Administration PO Box 979009 Saint Louis MO 63197-9009

ATTN Gsa Claim (D) (D

Insured:

Claim Number:

Date of Loss:

04/09/2014

Dear General Services Administration,

We are writing to inform you that after carefully considering your claim, we have concluded that our insured is not responsible for your damages.

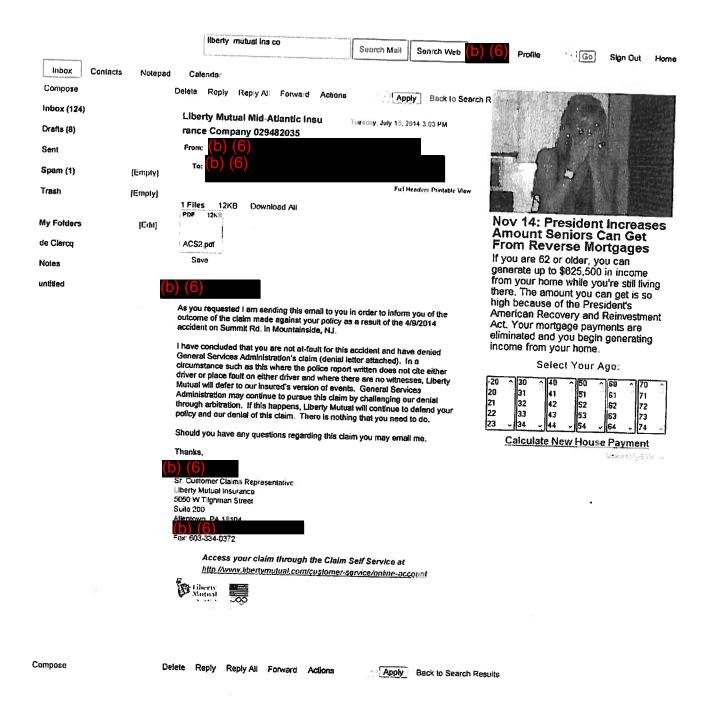
Our insured is not responsible for your vehicle's damages. Your insured driver merged into our insured's lane and caused this accident.

Therefore, unless there are additional facts that you would like to submit for further review, we are closing your file and must deny your claim. Please understand that our obligation as an insurer is to pay only those claims for which our insured is legally responsible.

Please contact us if you have any questions. When contacting us by email, please be sure to use your claim number in the subject line.

Sincerely.

Claims Department





For Customer Support refer to the appropriate platform below:

OrderPoint 800-934-9698 Orderpoint support@lexisuexis com

Accurint for insurance 866-277-8407 Accumit support@lens.nexts com

Lexis.com Law Firm eccounts 800:543-6962

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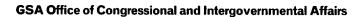
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September 26, 2013

The Honorable Leonard Lance Member, United States House of Representatives Attn: Bobbi Goodman 425 North Avenue East Westfield, NJ 07090

Dear Representative Lance:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter on behalf of your constituent, regarding his application to a job announcement from the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA).

applied to Job Announcement #1300006TC01-DHA, which is a Direct-Hire Public Notice that GSA is using Direct-Hire Authority for hiring in the 1102 job series and solicits applications for the seven metropolitan areas listed in the job announcement to fill current and future contracting positions at grades 9 through 15. Since there are over 5,000 applications to this Direct-Hire Public Notice database, with over 1,300 specifying New Jersey as their preferred duty location, we cannot guarantee that

(b) (6) will be referred or that he will be interviewed. Therefore, it may be advisable for (b) (6) to apply to specific GSA vacancies as they arise. GSA posts its available job opportunities on the Office of Personnel Management's USA Jobs website at www.usajobs.gov.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Austin

Associate Administrator